PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

BERNARD PAUL JOSEPH THIERS

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

SERIAL NO.: 09/805,234

FILED: March 14, 2001

FOR: FLOOR COVERING

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

P.O. BOX 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The below identified communication(s) or document(s) is(are) submitted in the above application or proceeding:

□ Declaration

□ Issue Fee Transmittal

□ Priority Document

⊠ Check in the Amount of \$_\$180.00

□ Formal Drawings

□ Assignment, including cover sheet and fee of

GROUP ART UNIT: 3635

ATTY. REFERENCE: THIE3001/JEK

EXAMINER: Kevin McDermott

□ Small Entity Declaration(s)

Information Disclosure Statement;

copies of two (2) references

■ Please debit or credit **Deposit Account Number 02-0200** for any deficiency or surplus in connection with this communication.

Customer 23364
BACON & THOMAS, PLLC
625 SLATERS LANE - FOURTH FLOOR
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22314
(703) 683-0500

DATE: <u>April 7, 2004</u>

Respectfully submitted

Attorney for Applicant

Registration Number: 19



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. Patent Application

Bernard Paul Joseph THIERS

Serial Number: 09/805,234

Filed: March 14, 2001

For: FLOOR COVERING

Examiner: Kevin McDermott

Group Art Unit: 3635

Attorney Docket: THIE3001/JEK

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.51(b), 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, this Information Disclosure Statement is submitted in the above-identified patent application. A listing of documents to be published on the face of any patent granted from this application is submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449. Any other documents or information submitted for consideration by the Examiner are listed in this paper. A copy of each U.S. and foreign patent, or each publication or portion thereof listed or herein identified is submitted herewith.

CONCISE STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY (Non-English Language Documents Only)

The documents submitted with this Information Disclosure Statement are in the English language and the relevancy thereof is self-evident.

STATEMENT OF TIMELINESS

The fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(p) is submitted herewith.

04/08/2004 JBALINAN 00000066 09805234

01 FC:1806

180.00 OP

Serial Number: 09/805,234

Attorney Docket No.: THIE3001/JEK

The Examiner is requested to acknowledge consideration of the information provided in this paper in accordance with prescribed procedures.

Respectfully submitted,

BACON & THOMAS, PECC

ERNEST KENNEY

Attorney for Applicant Registration No. 19,179

Customer 23364

BACON & THOMAS, PLLC 625 Slaters Lane - 4th Floor Alexandria, VA 22314-1176 Telephone: (703) 683-0500 Facsimile: (703) 683-1080

Date: April 7, 2004

S:\Producer\jek\THIERS - 805234\information disclosure statement.wpd

Cusio	omer	2330
4	- 6	•

						Sheet1	<u>1</u> of	f <u>1</u>	
B/O Form PTO-1449			Atty. Docket Number THIE3001/JEK		Serial Number 09/805,234				
- 1	Department of Commerce nt and Trademark Office	Applicant Bernard Thiers	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·						
nformation Di	isclosure Statement by Applicant	Filing Date			Group 3635				
2004			itent Documents						
xamuler Martial	Document Number	Date	Patentee/Applicant	С	Class	Subclass	Filing Appro	Date if	
	4,953,335	Sep. 1990	Kawaguchi et al.						
	5,570,554	Nov. 1996	Searer						
	·								
-+						 			
		-							
xaminer							Tran	slation	
Initial	Document Number	Publication Date	Country/Agency	- '	Class	Subclass	Yes	No	
			-			 			
		†							
	Other Documents (Includ	ing Author, Title), Date, Pertinent Pages,	Place of Pu	ublicat	ion, Etc.)			
xaminer			Date Considered						
Xammer			Date Considered						